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METHOD OF MANUFACTURING OPTICAL WAVE GUIDE**

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **April 20, 2004**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 24 of this paper.